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SUBJECT: ALLOCATION OF FINAL FY 1974 TRANCHE OF 100,000
MT; USG SUPPORT OF WFP PROGRAMS IN SAHEL.

ROME FOR FODAG, LONDON FOR BAAS, PARIS FOR HELMAN, BRUSSELS
FOR MARTIN, ABJAN FOR REDSO

1. SUMMARY. AS A RESULT OF CAREFUL ANALYSIS OF INFORMATION AND REQUESTS CABLED FROM THE FIELD, CONTINUED ANALYSIS OF THE FAO MULTI-DONOR MISSION SUMMARY AND COUNTRY REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS IN AID/W, AND CONSULTATIONS WITH DONORS IN EUROPE DURING RECENT MEETINGS, THE FOLLOWING COUNTRY BREAK-DOWN HAS BEEN MADE OF THE LATEST FY 1974 TRANCHE OF USG PL 480 TITLE II GRAIN: SENEGAL - 10,000 MT; MAURITANIA - 20,000 MT; MALI - 20,000 MT; GAMBIA - 2,000 MT (TENTATIVE); NIGER - 33,000 MT; UPPER VOLTA - 5,000 MT; CHAD - 2,500 MT; AND REGIONAL RESERVE - 7,500 MT. UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, ALL DONATIONS ARE SORGHUM. AS STATED IN PRIOR CABLES, USG COMMITMENTS IN SUPPORT OF WFP PROGRAMS WILL BE MET FROM ALLOCATION ABOVE, AS WILL ANY INCREASE IN PRESENT UNICEF/VOLAG PROGRAMS AND REQUESTS FOR BLENDED/FORTIFIED FOODS. END SUMMARY.

2. SUPPORT OF WFP PROGRAMS. THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN CONCERNING SUPPORT OF WFP PROGRAMS:

A. AID/W HAS APPROVED SUPPORT TO WFP PROGRAMS IN NIGER, SENEGAL, UPPER VOLTA, CHAD, AND MALI CALLING FOR 23,731 MT OF USG PL 480 SORGHUM.
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B. AID/W HAS APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS IN NIGER, MALI, AND MAURITANIA CALLING FOR 11,500 MT OF SORGHUM. THESE PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN APPROVED SUBJECT TO RECEIPT OF PROJECT DOCUMENTATION MEETING THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN STATE 17191 IN AID/W PRIOR TO APRIL 30, 1974. IF DESCRIPTIONS NOT RECEIVED BY APRIL 30, USG WILL MOVE GRAIN ON BILATERAL BASIS.

C. AID/W WILL APPROVE UP TO 2,000 MT IN SUPPORT OF WFP ACTIVITIES IN GAMBIA, SUBJECT TO (1) RECEIPT OF A REPORT FROM THE EMBASSY/ADO IN DAKAR RECOMMENDING FOOD ASSISTANCE TO GAMBIA, AND (2) RECEIPT OF PROJECT DOCUMENTATION MEETING THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN STATE 17191 IN AID/W PRIOR TO APRIL 30, 1974.

FODAG IS URGED TO CABLE PROJECT SUMMARIES FOR ACTIVITIES UNDER B AND C ON AN URGENT BASIS. PLEASE ALSO ADVISE AS TO BELGIAN SUPPORT OF WFP ACTIVITIES.

3. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING BILATERAL AND WFP PROGRAMS BY COUNTRY AS FOLLOWS:

A. MAURITANIA - 20,000 MT. OF THIS AMOUNT, 5,000 MT WOULD BE THROUGH WFP FOR AN EMERGENCY FEEDING PROGRAM. WE ARE AWAITING RECEIPT OF PROJECT DOCUMENTATION FROM WFP PRIOR TO FINAL APPROVAL. THE REMAINING 15,000 MT WILL BE FOR BILATERAL DONATION.

B. SENEGAL - 10,000 MT. OF THIS AMOUNT, 5,060 MT WILL BE THROUGH WFP PROGRAMS FOR DROUGHT REHABILITATION (2127/Q - 660 MT) AND REHABILITATION WORKS (2130/Q - 4,400 MT). THE REMAINDER WILL BE DONATED ON A BILATERAL BASIS.

C. MALI - 20,000 MT. OF THIS AMOUNT, 6,000 MT WILL BE THROUGH WFP PROGRAM 2128/Q FOR REHABILITATION WORKS. AN ADDITIONAL 2,500 MT WOULD BE THROUGH WFP PROGRAM 2134/Q, WORK ON FARMS, SUBJECT TO SUBMISSION OF THE PROJECT DOCUMENTATION AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. THE REMAINING 11,500 MT WILL BE DONATED ON A BILATERAL BASIS.

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D. GAMBIA - 2,000 MT. THIS WOULD BE DONATED THROUGH WFP FOR WORK ON FARMS (NO PROJECT NUMBER RECEIVED TO DATE), SUBJECT TO SATISFACTION OF THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN PARA 2 C ABOVE.

E. UPPER VOLTA - 5,000 MT. OF THIS AMOUNT, 2,475 MT WILL BE THROUGH WFP PROGRAM 2124/Q FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT. THE REMAINDER WILL BE DONATED ON A BILATERAL BASIS.

F. NIGER - 33,000 MT. OF THIS AMOUNT, 7,696 MT WILL BE THROUGH WFP PROGRAMS FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (2102/Q - 2,649 MT) AND REHABILITATION (2132/Q - 5,047 MT). AN ADDITIONAL 4,000 MT WOULD BE THROUGH WFP PROGRAM 2133/Q, WORK ON FARMS, SUBJECT TO SUBMISSION OF THE PROJECT DOCUMENTATION AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. THE REMAINING 21,304 MT

WILL BE DONATED ON A BILATERAL BASIS.

G. CHAD - 2,500 MT. THIS WILL BE DONATED THROUGH WFP PROGRAM 2129/Q, RURAL DEVELOPMENT.

4. SHIPMENT OF THE NEW ALLOCATIONS. AID/W AND USDA WILL CONTINUE TO MOVE ALL GRAIN SHIPMENTS TO THE SAHEL AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, CONSISTENT WITH PORT CAPACITIES, FAO/OSRO REPORTS ON PROJECTED ARRIVALS FROM ALL DONORS, AND THE AVAILABILITY OF GRAIN IN THE U.S. WE SHALL CONTINUE TO KEEP THE FIELD AND OTHER INTERESTED POSTS INFORMED ON A REGULAR BASIS OF OUR SHIPPING SCHEDULES.

5. REGIONAL RESERVE. OF THE 250,000 MT APPROVED FOR THE SAHEL IN DECEMBER 1973 AND JANUARY 1974, APPROXIMATELY 22,500 MT REMAIN UNALLOCATED. WE ARE HOLDING THIS AMOUNT IN RESERVE UNTIL WE HAVE A BETTER IDEA OF HOW THE CONCEPT OF THE FAO MULTI-DONOR MISSION RESERVE FOR FLOATING POPULATIONS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED, WHAT ADDITIONAL PRE-HARVEST NEEDS MAY DEVELOP, AND QUANTITIES OF BLENDED/FORTIFIED FOODS WHICH MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC NEEDS OF THOSE POPULATIONS MOST AT RISK.

6. FOR FODAG. PURSUANT TO FAO DG BOERMA REQUEST CABLED ALL DONORS (ROME 2709 - NOTAL) FOR COMMITMENT ADDITIONAL GRAINS FOR NIGER, MALI, AND MAURITANIA, NEW USG ALLOCATIONS MEET REQUEST AS FOLLOWS: NIGER - 33,000 MT, MALI - 20,000 MT, MAURITANIA - 20

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